



**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
& WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

***Alaska Workforce Investment Board  
Committee Roster***

**Executive**

The Executive Committee has the authority to take action on behalf of the board and supervises its affairs between regular business meetings.

**Jim Lynch, Chair**  
**Neal Foster, Vice Chair**  
**Andy Baker, Past Chair**  
**Doug Ward, Betty Jo Dibble,**  
**Jim Laiti, Linda Hulbert**  
*Staff: Greg Cashen*

**Legislative**

The Legislative Committee coordinates with the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development to bring forth issues about the board to the legislature.

**Linda Hulbert, Chair**  
**Andy Baker; Paula Scavera;**  
*Staff: Louise Dean*

**Workforce Readiness and  
Employment & Placement**

The Workforce Readiness Committee provides oversight for training, education and employment programs. This committee builds partnerships between private industry, government, labor, and education.

The Employment & Placement Committee monitors the coordination of service delivery to promote efficiency and prevent overlap of services among programs. Specifically, it addresses customer needs at the local level, welfare to work initiatives, Alaska hire, and tailors employment and training programs to suit Alaska's workforce, and economic development needs.

**Doug Ward, Chair**  
**Sharlene Berg; John Cannon; Kathy Craft;**  
**Tony Delia; John MacKinnon; Dave Rees;**  
**Paulette Schuerch; Fred Villa;**  
*Staff: Barbara Duval*

**Policy & Planning and  
Assessment & Evaluation**

The Policy & Planning Committee crafts policies regarding day-to-day operations of the workforce system and long-term responsibilities of the board and works to increase awareness of the AWIB throughout the state.

The Assessment & Evaluation Committee gauges customer satisfaction and monitors the workforce development system to increase accountability in performance and continuous quality improvement in accordance with the board's strategic plan.

**Jim Laiti, Chair**  
**Joe Austerman; Scott Clark;**  
**Chris Gregg;**  
*Staff: Louise Dean*

**Youth Council**

The Youth Council develops and recommends employment and training policy and broadens the employment and training focus in the community and practice for young people; establishes linkages with other organizations serving young people; and addresses issues that can have an impact on the success of young people in the labor market.

**Betty Jo Dibble, Chair**  
**John Douglass; Heidi Frost;**  
**Melissa Hill; David Kvasager;**  
**André Layral;**  
**Helen Mehrkens**

*Ex-officio members: Diedre Bailey;*  
*Staff: Barbara Duval*